


Mass Intentions

Saturday, 4:30 PM	January 24, 2009 Frances Wildes by Flo & Al Bilelo
Sunday, 7:30 AM	January 25, 2009 Thomas & Ethel McKiernan by Ellen & Joseph Jankowski
9:30 AM	Intentions of Thomas & Joan Gunning by the Gunning family & Kathy Arle
11:00 AM	Daniel Jakobowski (10 th anniversary) by his family
Monday, 7:45 AM	January 26, 2009 Michael Horan by Margaret Mitchell & Theresa Stross
Tuesday, 7:45 AM	January 27, 2009 Lena Civitillo by the Schoenherr & Thomas families
Wednesday, 7:45 AM	January 28, 2009 Thomas & Dorothy Fialkiewicz by family
Thursday, 7:45 AM	January 29, 2009 Gert Beaulieu by Judy Welcome
Friday, 7:45 AM	January 30, 2009 Sister Mary Aquin Cronin by Claire Selinga
Saturday, 4:30 PM	January 31, 2009 Paul J. Kramer (3rd anniversary) by his family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	February 1, 2009 Alyre LeBlanc by Dick & Claire Selinga
9:30 AM	John Anderson by St. Mary's Choir
11:00 AM	Intentions of Dorothy Crowe (90 th birthday) by her family

Readings for the Week of January 25, 2009

Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
Monday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday:	Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

The second collection next weekend is the monthly offering.

Thank you! The superintendent of Catholic Schools, Dale R. Hoyt, extends his sincere appreciation to all who participated in last week's 2009 Catholic High School collection. We are deeply grateful for your support.

Calendar

1/25	9:30 a.m. Mass	Two or More
	11:00 a.m. Mass	Adult Choir
1/26	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	5:30 – 7:30 p.m.	First Reconciliation
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
1/27	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council Mtg. – Gathering Space
1/30	3:30 – 7:00 pm	Pick up butter braids – Church
2/1	9:30 a.m. Mass	Adult Choir
	9:30 a.m.	Teen Choir Rehearsal–Hosp. Room
	10:20 a.m.	Angel Voices Rehearsal – Hosp. Room

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Daniel Jakobowski

This is a venerable tradition and we ask you to keep him in your prayers.

From Fr. Golas,

To all of St Mary's parishioners who graciously give of their time, talents, and effort,

We're having a party and **YOU'RE** invited! As the proud pastor of an ever-growing, vibrant parish family, I am genuinely grateful to you for your dedication, strong commitment and undying voluntary efforts which continue to create a more meaningful parish life for all. To show my appreciation to you and all others who involve themselves in our parish ministries, committees, and organizations I am hosting a "Mardi Gras" reception and hope you will attend to help celebrate the many blessings our parish.

DATE: Sunday, February 15, 2009

TIME: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

PLACE: Saint Mary Star of the Sea Church
(The Gathering Space)

Please RSVP no later than February 8 by calling and leaving a voicemail message with Laura Roberts at (860) 673-2307 or Email @ stmarysrsvp@yahoo.com Thank you. I look forward to seeing you at the party.

Mark Your Calendar - Parish Mission
Journeying with St. Paul

February 22-25, 2009

What is a mission? A mission is a combination of communal prayer, music, teaching, and ritual. We come together to give our parish an experience of God's plentiful redemption.

Not your parents' mission! Today a mission is an experience with God, not a class in theology. The preacher makes the word of God come alive thus satisfying the spiritual hunger within us all.

Why come? For the active Catholic, a mission is a chance to update our faith. We need a faith that makes sense in our lives. It is a time to look at our relationship with the church, with our family/friends, and have a personal encounter with God. The mission will give us a healthy way to live our Christian lives. For those of us who feel separated from the church, it is a time to reconnect with the faith in which we were raised. It is our chance to come home to the Catholic Church. A mission is a graced moment of healing and a time for new beginnings. It is a joyful experience and a wonderful way to get ourselves ready for the 40 days of Lent.

To All Men of the Parish

*St Mary's Men's Retreat at
Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center*

The men's retreat for our parish begins on Friday, February 27th – March 1st at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford. The retreat commences on Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. and will end on Sunday after the 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of the Eucharist and brunch. There is still time to make a reservation. Enjoy a little free time and a chance to think about those things that really matter – like your relationship with your family, friends and God. This year's theme is "We Are Called: Finding Our Life's Purpose" An information sheet on the retreat as well as a registration form is in the bulletin today. If you would like more information, please contact Ray Crozier at 673-4282 or Neil Kelsey at 678-1314. For more information about Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford visit them on line at www.holyfamilyretreat.org or call them at 521-0440 to register.

St. Mary's Women's Retreat

There is still time to register for the Women's Retreat for St. Mary's Parish scheduled for the weekend of Jan 30th - Feb 1st at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House in Farmington. Registration forms can be found in the bookcases at the entrances of the church, or you can register by calling the retreat house at 677-8519 or online at www.ourladyofcalvary.com. If you have any questions please contact Sylvie Doyle 674-8454 or Maryann Dubin 677-2028.

It's Back!

Just when you thought it was safe to get comfortable on the couch with a bag of chips and watch television, IT'S BACK! Starting Friday, February 6th, the Fun Committee will once again be hosting **First Friday Fun Night**. Please plan to join us for a night of fun, and games starting at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome! We have a lot of games for everyone, so please come and join us and bring a friend.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered members

*Judith Brown, Avon
Denise Dionne, Plainville
Mary Alice Smith, Farmington
Lorraine & John Sullivan, Avon*

St. Mary parish family welcomes through the sacrament of baptism:

*Zara Behram Dinshaw
Nicholas Roberto Simeone*

Lost & Found

Please check the Lost & Found box in the table in the worship space near the Usher Room for items you may have left behind. Items not reclaimed by the end of each month will be donated.

Gift Bearers

Please let the ushers know at least 15 minutes prior to Mass if you would like to bring up the offertory gifts if you have requested the Mass Intention that day. Thank you!

Reminder from the Human Needs Committee

Please pick up your butter braids order this Friday, January 30 at the church between 3:30 – 7:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Colleen Kelly 675-5120.



Upcoming Events

Book Sale – St. Ann's Church, Avon, Father Bennett Hall Saturday, January 31 – 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Used paperbacks, hardcover, religious, travel, fiction/non-fiction, CD's & DVD's books on tape and puzzles for ages. Benefits the St. Ann Scholarship Program which provides partial tuition support for deserving Hartford students who attend Catholic high school.

Holy Cross Parish, New Britain invites all to a **dance** – January 31 – 8:00 p.m. – 2:00 a.m. Cost is \$20.00 per person and includes soda and ice. Sandwiches and other Polish delicacies will be available for purchase. BYOB. Please contact Holy Cross rectory at 229-2011 or Olivia at 678-0597.

A Play About Saint Paul – Blackfriars Repertory Theater, The Little Theatre, 1 Lincoln St., New Haven, Jan. 30 & 31 – 8:00 p.m. Feb. 1 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets \$15/12. For information call 203-764-0530.

Request for Tax Information

If you wish to ensure deductibility of your contributions to the parish, please use a check or your parish envelopes. The parish tracks contributions made through the parish envelope system and will upon request provide a "Statement of Contributions" for the year.

If you require a "Statement of Contributions" for 2008, please complete and return the following form to the rectory. Forms may be mailed or placed in the weekly collection basket. E-mail requests are acceptable and may be sent to: rectory@stmary-unionville.org. Telephone or expedited requests will not be accepted. Please plan accordingly. Statements will be sent via return mail weekly. Thank you for your cooperation.

Name _____

Address _____
